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SUBJ: MAJOR EXPORT PROJECT: UNDERGROUND WATER SURVEY

REF: A) KABUL 4067 B) STATE 165890 C) COMMERCIAL CABLE FROM
W.A. WAHLER AND ASSOCIATES, PALO ALTO, CALIF (NOTAL)

1. REQUEST THAT FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING
UNDERGROUND WATER SURVEY BE PASSED TO ECT (REF B) AND W.A. WAHLER
(REF C), AND OTHER INOARESTED COMPANIES.

2. WAPA HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT APPROXIMATE BUDGET AND
DURATION OF THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN DELIBERATELY LEFT OPEN IN
ORDER THAT WAPA MAY EVALUATE BIDDER'S VIEWS AND SELECT THE MOST
APPROPRIATE TIMETABLE AND COST ESTIMATE.

3. FOLLOWING IS RESPONSE TO ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FROM W.A. WAHLER:

(1) COST OF ALL EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE INCLUDED AS LINE ITEM IN
BID. POSSIBLE THAT WAPA CAN MAKE DRILL RIGS AND PUMPS AVAILABLE
TO CONTRACTOR BUT THIS WILL BE DETERMINED THROUGH NEGOTIATION.
IMPORT OF EQUIPMENT WILL BE DUTY FREE. (2) LOCAL LICENSE IS NOT
REQUIRED TO DO BUSINESS IN AFGHANISTAN. (3) SURCE OF FINANCING
FOR PROJECT IS SAUDI ARABIA. WAPA INFORMS US THAT FUNDS FOR
PROJECT ARE READILY AVAILABLE SO NO FUNDING DIFFICULTIES FORESEEN.
(4) WAPA DOES NOT HAVE A FOREIGN ADVISOR OR GENERAL CONSULTANT
FOR THIS PROJECT. (5) ALL BIDS SHOULD BE LUMP SUM. COST PLUS
BIDS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

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